

weather
report

92°

at noon



Today

• Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:22 a.m.

• Sunset, 8:17 p.m.

Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 75 degrees

• Humidity 28 percent

• Sky mostly sunny

• Winds south 13 mph

• Barometer 29.98 inches
and falling

• Record High 104° (1990)

• Record Low 42° (1958)

Last 24 Hours*

High 99°

Low 64°

Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Partly cloudy, 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low 65, south wind 10-20 mph. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, high 95, low 65, south wind 15-25 mph.

Extended Forecast

Wednesday through Friday: chance of thunderstorms, high 90, low 55-60.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local
markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.55 bushel

Posted county price — \$2.57

Corn — \$1.72 bushel

Posted county price — \$1.62

Loan deficiency payment — 37¢

Milo — \$2.76 hundredweight

Soybeans — \$4.01 bushel

Posted county price — \$3.94

Loan deficiency payment — 98¢

Millet — \$5.25 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$7.35 cwt.

Oil new crop — \$6.15 cwt.

Loan deficiency pmt. — \$2.00

Confection current — \$15/\$7 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$14 (new crop)

(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco

Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century

Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

afternoon
wire

Late news
from the
Associated
Press



1 p.m.

Altered food
controversial

SAN DIEGO — The world's biggest annual biotech conference opened today with discussions on genetically altered food, one of the industry's most contentious issues, following a weekend of protest demonstrations.

Industry supporters launched a spirited discussion about golden rice, named for its yellow hue and because it is genetically engineered to produce Vitamin A in the hope that developing nations can use it to stave off malnutrition.

Critics call it "Frankenfood." They view golden rice and other genetically modified foods as potential health hazards, and argue that not enough research has been done to determine whether they are really safe.

"The biotech industry is conducting a real-time experiment with our biosphere," said Shannon Service, 26, of Boulder, Colo.

'Slice of Life' has year of firsts

Auction raises thousands for hospital

By Lester Bolen

The Goodland Daily News

It was a year of firsts for the Slice of Life benefit auction.

For the first time in its 12-year history, the auction was held Saturday and outdoors behind the Sugar Hills Country Clubhouse. The event, held annually to raise money for the Goodland Regional Medical Center and the Northwest Kansas Area Medical Foundation, is normally held in September and inside.

The auction is part of a busy weekend for the hospital, which also includes the Slice of Life golf tournament. This year's version featured 138 participants.

A crowd came for the auction, and after a huge meal provided by the Country Club, the fun began. The actual auc-

tion was interrupted by humorous speeches and witty remarks from the crowd.

At the auction were many former National Football League players, current Denver Broncos and Kansas City Chiefs cheerleaders, and University of Kansas basketball legend Bud Stallworth.

Stallworth was a first-round draft choice in both the National Basketball Association and the American Basketball Association and was an All-American his senior year in 1972. In that year, he averaged 25 points per game along with eight rebounds. Stallworth's 50 points against Missouri in 1972 is still a KU record for most points scored in a conference game.

Tony Adams, a former quarterback for the Kansas City Chiefs and Minne-

sota Vikings, was also at the auction. Adams still is a record holder at Utah State University, where he holds the record for most passing yards, career touchdowns and completion percentage. Adams also set records in the now defunct World Football League.

Items that were auctioned off included autographed sports memorabilia, such as a Kansas City Chiefs autographed helmet signed by the team, a signed Nolan Ryan photograph and a jersey signed by Chiefs star Tony Gonzales, and tickets to Broncos-Chiefs games.

Buyers were able to bid on the opportunity to play golf with the former NFL athletes and Stallworth. Bidding on the players proved to bring the most laugh-

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Former NFL players Tony Reed and Walter White provided entertainment at the twelfth annual Slice of Life benefit auction Saturday night. White, Reed and the band did "Kansas City" during a break in the auction.

Photo by Lester Bolen/The Goodland Daily News

Missouri can't stop shipment

Nuclear shipment to roll across state

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Missouri is powerless to stop the planned federal shipment of spent nuclear fuel from Germany that will roll along Interstate 70 en route to Idaho, officials said.

But precautions — including a highway patrol escort and promises to keep the waste away from metro areas during peak traffic times — are in place to safeguard the shipment.

The load of reactor fuel from Europe is the first in a decade of nuclear waste shipments expected to cross the nation's heartland. It should pass through St. Louis, Columbia, Kansas City and other towns along the interstate later this summer.

In a separate planned shipment, Kansas and Missouri are among 11 states on the route for a cross-country trip that will haul used nuclear fuel from West Valley, N.Y., to a storage facility in Idaho.

Arrival of the European shipment will be confidential, though Missouri officials will get seven days' advance notice. But authorities can't stop the shipment and won't be able to say anything about them.

"We're opposed to it, but that doesn't mean we can block it," said Dru Buntin of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. "The state has no statutory authority to block these shipments."

Like the late Gov. Mel Carnahan before him, Gov. Bob Holden has opposed federal nuclear waste shipments through Missouri.

Last year Carnahan managed to stop the first shipment — carrying waste from England — by having it rerouted onto Interstate 80 in Iowa. Carnahan cited concerns about the safety of shipping the waste along bumpy I-70, as federal officials had planned.

But then the U.S. Department of Energy blocked any state shipments bound for South Carolina from the University of Missouri-Columbia's research reactor, saying Missouri roads must not be safe for state shipments if they are not safe for federal ones.

State officials called the move retaliatory and claimed it jeopardized the production of radioactive drugs.



David Russell (right) spread concrete Friday afternoon at the Goodland Cemetery for his Eagle Scout project, a memorial to unborn children. Kevin Zimmerman helped move the concrete.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

Scout starts work on Eagle badge project

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

Life Scout David Russell worked Friday afternoon to pour and finish concrete for a community project he is doing to earn his Eagle Scout badge.

Russell, 17, a member of Goodland Boy Scout Troop 142 and son of Curtis and Kathy Russell of Goodland, said his project is to build a memorial to unborn children in the Goodland Cemetery, a little west of the All Faith Chapel.

To earn his Eagle badge, the highest level a Scout can achieve, Russell had to come up with an idea for a community project and figure out how to pay for it, then complete it by his 18th birthday next May.

Russell said he and his father came up with the project idea after it was suggested to them by members of the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal and benevolent society of Roman Catholic men.

He said the Goodland Knights

helped him raise money for his project with a pancake feed in January. The Goodland Wal-Mart store will be making a donation and churches and clubs in Goodland have donated money. Russell hopes to have the project done in time to have a dedication ceremony on Saturday, July 14.

The sidewalk area for the project is in the shape of a cross, but Russell said it wasn't planned that way. A memorial stone will be set up at the east end and a granite bench will be placed at

the west end.

The stone and bench have been ordered from Koons Monuments. The stone shows a baby held in a pair of hands and reads "They number as the stars. Let not one be forgotten. In Memory Of All Unborn Children."

Russell bought the concrete from Schlosser Concrete of Goodland. Helping him with the concrete work were his mother, Charley Thorson, Kevin and Mary Zimmerman, and his uncle Leon Volk, all of Goodland.

Drug agency becoming food-allergy detective

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration plans to inspect thousands of candy makers, bakeries and other processors over the next two years to make sure ingredients that cause common allergic reactions aren't getting into food and candy accidentally.

The FDA decided on the inspections, which could involve as many as 6,000 plants, after recently testing several plants in Minnesota and Wisconsin. One-fourth of the cookie, ice cream and candy makers tested had ingredients

such as peanuts that weren't disclosed on product labels.

"We'd like to go out and see if that is true in the rest of the nation," said Kenneth Falci, an FDA official who briefed industry officials on the agency's plans at the Institute of Food Technologists

annual conference over the weekend.

Foods are supposed to disclose all ingredients except for flavorings, colorings and spices, but allergenic ingredients sometimes slip into foods undetected because machinery hasn't been cleaned properly.

Wichita aviation company to ask for air ambulance station

Midwest Corporate Aviation of Wichita will make a presentation about stationing an air ambulance here to the Goodland Regional Medical Center board during a regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight at the hospital conference room.

Hospital Administrator Jay Jolly said he expects the presentation to take about 30 minutes.

He said it was unclear if any of the

presentation will be done in open session.

Midwest asked for a closed session when it was scheduled in May, but there was no closed-door request in the latest letter.

Following the presentation, Jason Scheopner, the hospital's compliance officer, will report on the compliance program, what has been accomplished and what is being done.

Jolly will report on the new mammography unit, which is installed but waiting for certification. He said the certification has been delayed, but they hope to have a schedule for the three experts to come to Goodland within the next few weeks.

The board will discuss current efforts at doctor recruitment.

Jolly said he will recommend that the board approve suspending the capital

campaign.

He said they have nearly achieved the first priority of the campaign, which was to pay for the new CT-scan equipment.

"I think we should save our consultant time until we can review the other goals," Jolly said. "We are looking at getting some tax credits to help in this program."

The board will consider a policy

dealing with requests from employees for education training support, requested previously, and consider Alan David's request for emergency medical technician training.

Jolly said he will ask the board about items they would like to have information about at upcoming meetings.

The next regular board meeting is tentatively set for Monday, July 23, but could be changed by the board.